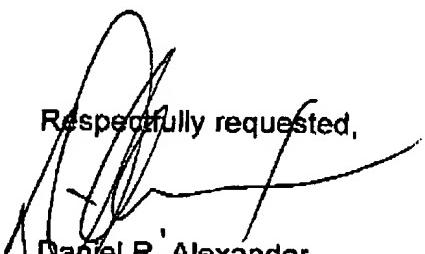


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DeSimone '207 fails to disclose a preformed rebond foam sheet adhesively bonded to a primary carpet, much less a carpet tile having a preformed rebond foam sheet adhesively bonded to a primary carpet.

Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of the pending claims.



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